

Please replace the Paragraph at page 6, line 22 through page 7, line 2, with the following amended paragraph:

The cyclone cover 31 has a cylindrical shape and is connected to a lower portion of the cyclone body 20. The cylindrical shape of the cyclone cover 31 induces the air that is drawn in from the inflow air passage 21 of the cyclone body 20 into a vortex. One end of the cyclone cover 31 has a plurality of engagement protrusions 33 formed therein for connection with the cyclone body 20. The other end of the cyclone cover 31 is a slanted end 31a.

Please replace the Paragraph at page 8, line 22 through page 9, line 6, with the following amended paragraph:

Another example of a manner for engaging the dust collecting container 35 with the cyclone cover 31 having a slanted end 31a' is shown in FIG. 5. Referring to FIG. 5, an engagement part 32' of a cyclone cover 31' is not formed along the periphery of the slanted end, but formed along the inner periphery of the lower end of the cyclone cover 31'. The engagement part 32' of the cyclone cover 31' is formed with a female screw 32'a, and the outer periphery of the open end of the dust collecting container 35' is formed with a male screw 32'b for engagement with the female screw 32'a. Accordingly, the dust collecting container 35' is connected to the cyclone cover 31' as the engagement part 32' of the cyclone cover 31' is screwed with the dust collecting container 35'. According to this engaging manner, the support part 50 can be omitted.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in this application: